Status of Claims and Remarks under 37 C.F.R. §1.173(c)

Claims 1-11 are pending in this reissue application. Claim 12 is sought to be added.

The present amendment does not add any new features or limitations to claim 1 and thus, is supported by the original disclosure. New claim 12 incorporates the subject matter deleted from claim 1 as recited in the issued patent.

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